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For : DRUG-CONTAINING SUSTAINED RELEASE MICROPARTICLE,
PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME AND PREPARATION
CONTAINING THE MICROPARTICLE
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In the Abstract:

Please replace the paragraph on page 17, with the following paragraph:

- Sustained release microparticles suitable for various types of drugs, or drug-containing sustained release microparticles capable of sustained release of drugs over a period of three days or more and capable of ~~with respect to highly water-soluble drugs as well~~ inhibiting initial burst release; a process for producing the same; and preparations containing the microparticles are disclosed. ~~In particular~~ The drug-containing sustained release microparticles comprise a drug other than human growth hormone and a porous apatite derivative, ~~or comprise a drug other than human growth hormone, a porous apatite derivative~~ and optionally include a water-soluble bivalent metal compound. The drug-containing sustained release microparticles can be produced by dispersing under agitation microparticles of a porous apatite derivative in an aqueous solution containing a drug so that the aqueous solution infiltrates into the porous apatite derivative; optionally adding ~~thereto~~ an aqueous solution containing a water-soluble bivalent metal compound so that may ~~the water-soluble bivalent metal compound infiltrates~~ infiltrate into the porous apatite derivative; further adding additives such as a stabilizer to the mixture; and effecting lyophilization or vacuum drying. - -